# **Student Agreement Contract**

Please refer to the section on Student Conduct. Read carefully, discuss as a family, then sign off on your agreements by completing the appropriate section in the Participant Portal.

## I agree to put safety first...

I agree to always put safety first, taking care of myself and those around me. I will ask questions and/or speak up when I feel unsafe or uncomfortable with a situation or activity.

#### I agree to respect people...

I agree to treat others as I wish to be treated. I will not engage in any form of physical, emotional, or verbal abuse, bullying, or discrimination of any kind. I will avoid foul language and dishonesty. I will avoid involvement in "cliques" or other exclusive groups.

### I agree to share responsibility...

Be able to willingly and equally share responsibility with team mates in daily group tasks. Each student may not do an equal share each day, but over a period of several days each student should do a proportionate share. All students are learning the skills and being challenged by the conditions and activities; there can be no expectation that any other student will be able to continually assume a greater share of the work or that an instructor can continually focus a greater share of his/her energy and time on one student.

## I agree to respect places and property...

I agree to respect the local people and customs of the country in which I am travelling. As instructed by my staff, I will wear clothing in keeping with what is deemed appropriate by local etiquette. I understand that my staff may ask me to change or purchase new clothing if I ignore instructions. I also agree to not steal, damage, or alter any property that is not my own, and will help protect natural areas by following local conservation guidelines.

## I agree to use cell phones and electronics only during approved times...

I agree to use cell phones, iPods, and other electronics only during times designated by staff. I understand phone calls, checking social networks, etc. during activity times can be disruptive.

## I agree to the ZERO tolerance policy for tobacco, alcohol, and illegal drugs...

I agree to not consume, possess, purchase, conspire to purchase, or even associate with those using tobacco products, e-cigarettes, alcohol products, illegal drugs, and/or prescription medications not used as directed. I understand the **zero tolerance** policy extends to all arrival/departure days and flights.

## I agree to not obtain tattoos or piercings...

I agree to not obtain tattoos or piercings while on program.

### I agree to participate fully...

I agree to participate fully in my program's activities. I understand the success of my experience is largely determined by me and my peers, by our individual and collective attitudes and motivation. I will try to maintain a positive attitude even when I'm upset. I will work cooperatively and interact maturely with others, and will "pull my own weight" with the responsibilities.

## I agree to stay with my group...

I agree to stay with my group at all times, except when my staff has expressly allowed solo or small group exploration. I also agree to stay in my room or sleeping area after instructed to go to bed. I understand violating this policy can put my safety at risk.

## I agree to not engage in sexual relations...

I agree to not engage in any form of sexual relations during the trip. I understand that exclusionary affection can negatively impact my peers, team, and the goals of the program. I will respect the rules of my co-ed housing, including no boys in girl's sleeping areas and vice versa.

## I agree to obey instructions...

I agree to listen and obey the instructions given by my staff. I know, above all, they are looking after my safety and wellbeing, as well as the group.

Throughout my program, I affirm that I will conduct myself within the boundaries of this contract. I understand that breaking any of the agreements can incur severe consequences, including immediate dismissal without refund.